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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98,
Applicant hereby calls the following documents to the Examiner's attention:

Japanese Patent No. 3039801, dated March 3, 2000, together with its patent family
member U.S. Patent No. 5,313,409 to WIKLUND et al., which issued on May 17, 1994.

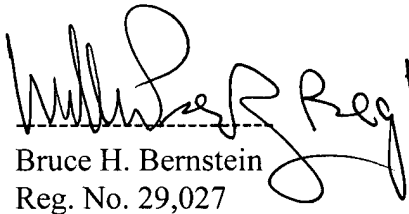
Further to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's decision to waive the requirement
under 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(i), a copy of the U.S. patent is not enclosed herewith. However, if a
copy is needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above materials and cite
the patent documents. A copy of the Japanese patent document is attached and all of the
documents have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is also attached hereto. Accordingly,
the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to
return a copy of the Form to the Applicant in the next official communication in the present
application to confirm consideration of these documents.

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Should the Examiner have any further questions, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,
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